[Mr. T. P. Ramasubba Aiyar.]

(2) An extent of 37·11 acres is under the occupation of 28 persons against whom steps have been taken under the Land Conservancy Regulation, but no eviction proceedings have been instituted. There is another encroachment on an extent of 3·70 acres in the same land in respect of which eviction proceedings are in progress.

(3) The question of registering the 37·11 acres, referred to in part (2), is under correspondence.

Applications for Licenses for Firearms in the Kottayam Division.

160. **MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN** (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a statement showing:

(*a*) the number of applications received in 1102 up to the 30th Kanni from each of the taluks in the Kottayam Division for the renewal of licenses for firearms and for the grant of new licenses for 1102; and

(*b*) the number of such licenses granted up to the 30th Vrischikam 1102?

MR. K. GEORGE (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*) and (*b*) The statement* required is laid on the table.

Road connecting the Muvattupuzha-Arakuzha-Palakuzha Road with the Muvattupuzha-Todupuzha Road.

161. **MR. TARIATU KUNJITOMMAN** (*Muvattupuzha* cum *Todupuzha*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the public have petitioned the Government praying for the construction of a road starting eastwards from the 2nd furlong of the 1st mile of the Muvattupuzha-Arakuzha-Palakuzha road under construction, and running north of the Peringozha church to meet the 4th mile of the Muvattupuzha-Todupuzha road; and

(*b*) whether they will construct that road immediately?

MR. T. P. RAMASUBBA AIYAR (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) Petitions have been received both for and against the opening of the road.

(*b*) No. This road cannot be considered at present, as the Chief Engineer has reported that it will be more of a luxury than a necessity as the villages through which it would pass have good cart-roads within easy reach.

* *Vide* Appendix III—page 758.

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